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## RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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## Commissioner:

Applicant hereby responds to the final Office action mailed February 20, 2007. This response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Applicant requests that the Examiner continue examination in view of the Claim Listing and Remarks beginning on pages 2 and 7, respectively. Applicant hereby petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, that the shortened statutory response period be extended for three (3) months up and including August 20, 2007, and encloses the required petition fee.